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REMARKS

Claims 1-13, 15 and 17-23 are now pending in the present application. Claim 1 and 19 are amended.

Claim 1 and 19 is amended to further define a "fabric conditioning composition" as a fabric softening composition. Basis is found *iner alia* at page 20, lines 9-10. Applicant manufactures fabric softening compositions such as DOWNY®.

Claim Objection

The Office Action objects to claim 1 and the use of the term "and mixtures thereof." Applicant obviates the rejection by deleting the offending term.

Rejection Under 35 USC 102(e) Over Koopersmith

The Office Action rejects the claims under 35 USC 102(e) in view of Koopersmith (US 2001/0042002 A1). Applicant amends the term "fabric conditioning composition" to a fabric softening composition to overcome the rejection.

CONCLUSION

In light of the above remarks, it is requested that the Examiner reconsider and withdraw the rejections under 35 USC 112 and 102. Early and favorable action in the case is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted.

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